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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION **DATED DECEMBER 17, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

Applicants acknowledge the receipt of the Communication mailed on December 17, 2003 (Paper No.1203), which has been carefully reviewed and studied. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the application is view of the following evidence and remarks. In order to facilitate the Examiner's evaluation of the application, Applicants have attempted to address the objections and rejections in Paper No. 7 in the same order in which they were originally raised.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(f), this Response is due on Saturday, January 17, 2004, which is on a weekend and is followed by a Federal holiday and is therefore extended until Tuesday, January 20, 2004 under 37 CFR § 1.7. This Response is thus timely filed. Appellants believe no fees are due in connection with this Petition. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

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